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This issue covers most of the TNA convention activities. The July TNA NEWS will wind it up with officers' reports included.

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REMEMBER - The of July is the deadline for the August issue

PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE



Growth necessitates expense for adequate accommodations. Our TNA conventions have reached a size that we must provide for our guests and be numbered among the greats or drift along with the trend and be one of those that "might have been."

To attain our goal of success we must raise a minimum of \$1500 now - which is the balance we owe on the purchase of 125 display cases so badly needed. I am earnestly and humbly asking each club to participate and contribute as much as finances will permit. I am ever mindful of the difficulties in funding local operations and would not expect any club to do that which it is not capable. However, there are several clubs that could contribute a minimum of \$250 and not in any way impair the solvency of the local operation.

This money is needed in the very near future. Won't you please mail your check to me at once?

The above has been addressed to clubs. However, contributions from individuals will be gratefully appreciated. Let us all in a concerted effort reach our goal. (See the special article elsewhere in the TNA NEWS for further details.)



The auction for 1975 was awarded to Jess Peters of Decatur, Ill. and Fort Worth was approved for hosting the 1977 TNA convention. If your city would like to make a bid for the 1978 convention, get your invitation ready

for the next Board meeting on September 29 in Austin.

We accepted with regret the resignation of Governor Everett Hull of District 1. George Somers has accepted the appointment to serve the remaining year of this term. We all welcome George.

The 1974 TNA medal was well received and all silver sets were sold. Thanks again to Roger Earwood, medals chairman.

We have hopes the Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society will meet with us each year in the future. They presented a very enjoyable educational forum during the convention. The counterfeit detection seminar was enthusiastically received and we do hope we can make this an annual offering, too.

Jess Peters Awarded 1975 TNA Auction

Jess Peters of Decatur, Ill. will conduct the auction sale at the 1975 convention of the Texas Numismatic Assn. to be held in Dallas. The convention is set for April 11, 12, 13 at the Fairmont Hotel to be hosted by the Dallas Coin Club.

Peters is seeking consignments of numismatic material in any field—foreign and United States coinage and paper money, medals, tokens and miscellaneous. For further information, contact Peters at Box 123, Decatur, Ill 62525.

"OLDTIMERS" CELEBRATE 14TH ANNIVERSARY

1974 TNA CONVENTION HELD IN HISTORIC HOUSTON - CAPITOL SITE

The numismatic parade marched through historic Houston, Texas to celebrate the 14th anniversary of the Texas Numismatic Association. Greater Houston Coin Club hosted the annual TNA convention on April 26, 27, 28 at the Rice Hotel where the first capitol of Texas was located during the years 1837-39.

Jerry Williams of Beaumont was awarded the Lewis Reagan Memorial award for outstanding work done in promoting Texas numismatics and L. G. Davenport received the K. K. Tidwell Literary award for the outstanding article written for and published in the TNA NEWS. The adult VIP award went to C. C. Andrews of Dallas for signing up the most new

TNA members.

Junior awards, presented by Dave Cervin, Amarillo, youth chairman, went to Colin Tuttle of Houston and Andrea Peppard of Odessa. Colin was named "Junior Numismatist of the Year" and Andrea won the junior VIP award, marking a win for her for three consecutive years. The Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society, meeting during the TNA convention, presented a year's membership in the Society to Colin and MNHS President, C. H. Roberts, Corpus Christi, announced the Society's desire to make this an annual presentation.

Top exhibit awards went to Jack Huggins, Belleville, Ill., best in show; the Harvey Bruns Mexican award to Joe V. Frantz, Montesson, Pa.; the A. I. Martin Memorial award to Jerry Williams; and the L. G. Davenport Numismatic Error award to Miriam Gilmore, Weslaco.

Mrs. Gilmore was also named "Numismatic Ambassador" by "Numismatic News Weekly" with Arnold Jeffcoat, News representative, making the presentation.

Exhibit winners 1st, 2nd and 3rd were: negotiable paper money - H. R. Peppard, Odessa; L. G. Davenport, Edinburg; John Murphy, Houston; non-negotiable paper money - Matt Rothert, Camden, Ark.; Miriam Gilmore, Weslaco; foreign before 1500 A.D. - Richard Schweers, Houston; Dave Cervin, Amarillo; Foreign after 1500 A.D. - Bill Slate, Sterling Heights, Mich.; Marvin Fraley, Lubbock; H. R. Peppard; medals - Richard Bonilla, Houston; D. O. Joplin, Levelland

Also, miscellaneous - Judy Slate, Sterling Heights, Mich.; Dave Cervin



GRAND OPENING - TNA President Lyman C. Bartee of Austin cut the ribbon marking the opening of the 1974 Texas Numismatic Assn. convention held in Houston at the Rice Hotel. Shown with Bartee are Winston Jobe, Fort Worth; Richard Bonilla, Houston, publicity chairman; Miriam Gilmore, TNA NEWS editor; and Chris Jasso, convention chairman and Greater Houston Coin Club president.

D. O. Joplin; U.S. coins - Jerry Williams, Beaumont; L. G. Davenport; Terry Havens, Fort Worth; gold - Peppard, Cervin, David Dirks, Houston. In the junior division, Colin Tuttle took first in U.S.; Andy Holds, San Antonio, first in foreign; and Andrea Peppard, first in miscellaneous.

Appreciation awards were given to Dave Cervin and Grover Criswell, Citra, Fla., speakers at the Saturday afternoon educational forum. A 1974 TNA medal was presented to the Rice Hotel as a souvenir since the hotel now stands where the first Texas capitol was located 137 years ago.

The three top Texas clubs were honored with Club Salute awards - Corpus Christi Coin Club, first; Greater Port Arthur Coin Club, second, and San Angelo Coin Club, third (the 1973 first place winner.) The awards, sponsored by Fred Green, publisher of "Today's Coins," were made at the governors' and club representatives' breakfast Saturday morning. The meeting was presided over by Fred Clark, San Angelo, TNA second vice president. Members told of club activities and discussed general ideas to interest collectors.

Twenty-seven of the 32 TNA officers were present for the official board meeting. George F. Somers, Fort Worth, was appointed to fill the unexpired term as District I governor upon the resignation of Everett Hull; Buz Sawyer, Abilene, was approved as Life Member No. 65; Jess Peters, Decatur, Ill., was awarded the 1975 TNA auction; and plans were laid for a fund drive to purchase 125 display cases. (Details will be found elsewhere.)

Convention sites were reviewed and an invitation from the Fort Worth Coin Club to host the 1977 convention was accepted. Dates will be April 22, 23 and 24. The Dallas Coin Club will host the 1975 convention at the Fairmont Hotel on April 11,

12, 13, and plans call for meeting in Amarillo in 1976. The printing bid for TNA NEWS from Banner Printing Co. of Brownwood was accepted and the 1974-75 budget was adopted with income and expenses estimated at \$8500.

At the annual TNA general meeting Sunday morning following the awards' breakfast, members voted on several minor amendments (published in this issue of TNA NEWS) and extended an invitation to the American Numismatic Association to meet in Texas in 1978. TNA pledged to support the host club in making the convention a success.

Letters of appreciation were approved for Fred Green; Sid Levinson, donor of the A. J. Martin Memorial award; the Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society; Dave Cervin, TNA speaker; Grover Criswell, speaker for Organization of International Numismatists, OIN for providing a speaker and conducting the counterfeit detection seminar under the direction of Virgil Hancock of Bellaire; L. G. Davenport and Harvey Bruns, Mission, for special awards. Also, Retail Coin Dealers Assn. for the use of display cases; John Face, Corpus Christi and Hellen Rust, Graford, for TNA NEWS photography; and the Franklin Mint for providing a special display and film on the minting of medals.

Twenty-two of our 50 states and one foreign country, New Zealand, were represented in the bourse room of 100 tables. Three national publications had representatives on hand to cover convention activities and included Ron Keysor, Sidney, Ohio, "Coin World;" Arnold Jeffcoat and Harold Becker, Iola, Wisc., "Numismatic News Weekly;" and Fred Green, Kermit, Tex., "Today's Coins."

Convention chairman, Chris Jasso, reported an estimated 4,000 attend-

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THE ERRORS OF MY WAY

— A NEW FIELD —

Researched, Discussed & Presented

By: L. G. Davenport,
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Brockage - Counter Brokage - Capped Dies

BROCKAGE is a term applied to an error that happens during the striking of coinage. It is a mint error that produces a coin with two "heads" or two "tails" as the case may be. It can be in varying degrees from full to minimal.



L. G. Davenport

One form of brockage occurs when a coin is struck in a normal way, but is not ejected that way. The coin sticks to one of the dies, usually the obverse, and fails to be properly ejected. When the next cycle of coinage striking begins by feeding another blank planchet into the coinage chamber, the new planchet is not subjected to normal striking. Instead of being struck with the normal 2-die setup, it is struck by a die and a coin. In other words, one of the dies will be capped. More detailed attention will be given to die capping later in this column.

The coin struck in the second cycle will be a brockage strike. If the coin struck in the previous cycle stuck to the obverse die, the brockage strike will have two reverse designs on it. One side will have a normal reverse since it was struck by the reverse die, but the other side will have an abnormal incuse reverse design. The first struck coin which stuck to the obverse die will in effect become a die. The reverse

of that coin strikes the blank causing the incuse reverse design, or brockage.

Since the capped coin is softer than the die steel but harder than the blank it struck, it will at times transfer a reasonably undistorted design. The struck coin action as a die in this case is hardened from its first striking because of its molecular structure being compacted, while the blank planchets have been annealed, or softened, to take a good strike.

Although the capped coin is hardened somewhat from its normal strike, it isn't hard enough to act as a die very long without deteriorating a great deal. Very often the first strike will be distorted, and greater distortion will result with each succeeding blow, up to a point.

As with other mint errors, this one is more frequent with the Lincoln cent since there are more opportunities due to very large mintages. Also, cent brockages seem to distort more often than other denominations. This is probably due to the fact that copper is softer than the alloys of other coins.

Very often someone will experiment with coins by placing one coin sandwiched between two others in a vice and applying pressure. Sometimes only two coins are used, but the results are much the same. Under the pressure exerted by tightening the vice, the design from one coin is pressed into the other. The results will appear, to an untrained eye, to be a brockage strike, but

such coins have tell-tale marks that give them away. Another point to remember is that struck coins are used in this case, not blank planchets. The effects are quite different. A true brockage strike from a capped die will produce a coin with one normal side that is a very strong strike. It is not unusual for it to have a wire rim due to the abnormal thickness of metal with two



ODD STRIKES - Upper left - early stage brockage strike; well defined but distorted as most are because of the softness of the metal; struck by a struck cent that capped the obverse die. Lower left - very late stage brockage strike; struck through capped die that became so thin that Lincoln and rest of design is very recognizable. A few more strikes and the capped coin would soon be gone. Referred to as a struck-through type. Upper right - counter brockage struck by a brockage struck coin. Lower right - named "cap" as it stuck to the obverse die and struck several coins. Note strong detail (normal undistorted size) and cup-shaped edges that worked their way up around the obverse die with each strike.

- PHOTOS COURTESY: PHIL STEINER, CO-AUTHOR, "MODERN MINT MISTAKES."

planchets between the dies at one time during the striking. With the fake brockage, the "normal" side will be a normal strike with **flattened features** from being pressed against the vice or the holder in the vice. This side will be a "single" strike while the other side will show two impressions, or a "double" strike, one normal and the other a "brockage." Such a coin could be produced at a mint, but the features would be altogether different.

During the striking of coinage, on rare occasions, a coin will stick to either the hammer (obverse) die or the anvil (reverse) die. The latter being much rarer of the two. This is quite logically called a **CAPPED DIE**. The coin that caps the die is also referred to within the hobby by that same term. It is indeed a "capped die" error coin.

This mint error is so closely associated with a brockage strike that an explanation of one will necessitate the explanation of the other. Although capping of a die is a major contributor to brockage strikes, it is not the only one. A coin that has been struck and doesn't eject properly may not stick to one of the dies but will fall back under, or over, part, or all of the next blank to be struck and will also cause a "partial" or "full brockage." In this case, as with the capped die, the results will be the same insofar as the new blank will be struck with a struck coin between it and a die.

Before leaving the subject of brockage strikes, it should be pointed out that these strikes have many variations. They may be full or partial to various degrees. They may involve struck or unstruck planchets. They may occur on a coin involving the same sides, or a flip-over variety. They can receive a brockage strike from a struck fragment, or an off-center struck coin

involving struck and unstruck portions of that coin. Other variations are also possible.

A capped die error coin may have varying degrees of distortion. Assuming that a coin sticks to the upper die, the number of strikes that are made by such a die before the coin finally falls free of the die and is ejected will be the determining factor in its size, shape and other features. Quite naturally, the more numerous the strikes, the more distortion there will be. If only one or two strikes are made by a capped die, the coin that covered the die will be slightly cup-shaped with a strong obverse and a reverse that will be slightly to strongly distorted. The reverse design will probably be distorted, but it will be recognizable. If many strikes are made with the coin stuck to the die, it will cup up around the edges of the die more with each successive strike and the reverse design will lose its shape to the point that it will disappear. It is at this point that the blanks struck by a capped die cease to be brockage coins and become a form of another error known as a "STRIKE THROUGH ERROR." The coin is struck through a capped die.

If the coin does not fall from the die at this stage, the continuous striking of the die on the coin will cause it to become so thin that the obverse design will begin to show with a "fuzzy" sort of appearance on the struck-through coin produced by it. Some capped-die coins have been found that have been struck so many times that the metal on the face of the die became so thin that it separated and exposed the die before falling away.

Several references have been made to the fact that capping of the reverse die is much rarer than capping of the obverse die. The reason for this can be found in the striking

sequence. That consists of three basic steps: placement of the blank planchet striking of the coin;; and ejection of the struck coin. The placement of the blanks and the ejection of the coin are done simultaneously by the feeder fingers. The anvil (reverse) die is stationary except during the ejection process. Since the planchet is contained within the retaining collar during its actual striking to control the lateral movement of metal, it must be raised to the surface of the retaining collar by the reverse die so that the leading edge of the feeder fingers can eject the coin. Under these conditions, it is extremely difficult for a coin to remain on, or return fully to the surface of the reverse die (which is a criteria for a capped reverse die.)

The reason or reasons for coins sticking to dies is not clear to this writer. It is a good subject for future research. One of the most puzzling aspects of a coin sticking to an obverse die is how the coin could be stuck tight enough to the die to be pulled from the retaining collar. When a coin is struck, the metal flow moves laterally within, and is retained, by the walls of the collar. In other words, the metal is squeezed fairly tight against the walls of the collar. Although the metal flow of the planchet conforms to every detail of the striking die, the cause for such adherence by the coin to the die is not understood. The diameter of a struck planchet is so increased that it will not fit back into the collar without force.

The subject of brockage and capped dies can not be viewed without facing another related subject: COUNTER BROCKAGE. Loosely defined, counter brockage is a minting error involving the striking of a blank planchet with a die capped with a die, capped with a brockage

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LATIN AMERICAN NUMISMATICS

BY: BRENT BROWN

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GOLD COINS OF MEXICO

The quality and variety of Mexican coinage can easily be observed by examining the gold coins that have been issued by the various governments of Mexico. The first gold coins of Mexico were the tequique gold coins which have been discussed in earlier articles. Spanish colonial gold coins were first issued in Mexico in 1679. These issues were crude and without dates and were all struck in Mexico City.



Brent Brown

In 1732, new round dies were sent from Spain to strike portrait gold coins. The Mexico City mint struck 1, 2, 4, and 8 escudos coins. The last gold coins struck for Spain in Mexico City were 2 and 8 escudo coins struck in 1821. Colonial gold pieces have the king's portrait, his title, and the date on the obverse. The shield of the royal family of Spain dominated the reverse.

Because of the chaotic conditions of the revolution against Spain which began in 1810, Spanish officials authorized a branch mint in the city of Guadalajara. This is the only Spanish branch mint that was opened from 1812-1815, 1818, and 1821-1822. Four and 8-escudo gold coins were struck in 1821. The 1821 8-escudo coins have two different types of busts of Ferdinand VII, the "laureate head" and the "draped bust."

After the fall of Spanish control in Mexico a brief empire was established in Mexico by Augustine Iturbide in 1822. During his brief reign a series of 4 and 8 escudo gold coins were struck in Mexico City. The 4-escudo coin (width: 30 mm., weight 13.536 grams, and 0.875 fine) has the portrait of Iturbide, his title, and the date. The reverse has the shield of imperial Mexico. Two types of 8-escudo coins were struck, both 0.875 fine, width 37mm., and weight 27.073 grams. Both types have the bust of Iturbide on the obverse. The piece struck in 1822 has the Mexican eagle perched on a cactus. The 8 escudo struck in 1823 has the shield of Mexico on the reverse.

The first decimal gold coin struck in Mexico was struck in 1866 by Emperor Maximilian. This is the 20-peso coin with the bust of Maximilian and the title "Emperador Maximiliano" on the obverse. The elaborate imperial shield of Maximilian is on the reverse. Maximilian never controlled all of Mexico and during his reign escudo gold coins were issued at state mints at Culiacan, Chihuahua, Durango and Guadalajara.

From 1823 to 1871, gold escudo coins were issued at the various state mints and at the federal mint. Mints which struck escudo coins and later peso coins in Mexico include Alamos (1864-1895, A or As mint mark), Real de Catorce (1863-1869), CE mint mark), Chihuahua (1831-1895), CH or Ca mint mark), Culiacan (1846-

1905, C or Cn mint mark), Durango (1824-1895, EoMo mint mark), Guadalupe y Calvo (1843-1851, GC mint mark), Guanajuato (1824-1900, Go mint mark), Hermosillo (1861-1895, Ho mint mark), Mexico City (since 1823, M or Mo mint mark), Oaxaca (1853-1893, O or Oa mint mark), San Luis Potosi (1827-1893, SLP or PI mint mark), and Zacatecas (1824-1905, Z or Zs mint mark.)

Escudo state issues were all 0.875 fine and were struck in values of $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 4 and 8 escudos. All state issues resemble each other. The obverse displays a hand pointing to an open book with the word "ley" (law), and the legend "LIBERTAD EN LA LEY" (liberty under law), and the value, mint mark and assayer's initials. The reverse of all state gold issues has some form of the Mexican eagle perched on a cactus and the legend "REPUBLICA MEXICANA"

Decimal gold coinage began in 1870. All decimal gold pieces are 0.875 fine. One, 2 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ peso coins have their values in big numbers on the obverse and the Mexican eagle on the reverse. Five, 10 and 20 peso gold pieces have a large balance on a scroll with the word "LEY" on it, and the liberty cap above the scroll. The fineness, value and mint mark of the coin are also on the obverse. The reverse has the date, the Mexican eagle, and the legend "REPUBLICA MEXICANA."

In conjunction with the coinage reform of Mexico in 1905, new types of gold coins were issued. Two peso (0.900 fine, weight 1.666 grams, width 15.5 mm.) were struck. These resemble earlier decimal coins but their value is spelled out instead of appearing as a number. Five and 10 peso gold pieces have the portrait of Hidalgo. Twenty peso coins have the "Aztec Calendar" on the ob-

verse. Twenty peso gold coins have 15 grams of pure gold in them. The 50 peso gold piece was issued in 1921 to mark the first 100 years of Mexican Independence. It resembles a 2 peso coin also struck in 1921. The obverse has a Nike or winged goddess of victory. This same Nike is on a huge monument to Mexican Independence in Mexico City. The reverse has the Mexican eagle and the legend "Estados Unidos Mexicanos." The 50-peso piece was struck from 1921-1931, in 1943, and from 1944-1947. The piece struck in 1943 has no value on it.

Four gold coins were also struck during the Mexican Revolution. These were struck in 1915 in the State of Oaxaca in values of 5, 10, 20 and 60 pesos. The 5, 10 and 20 peso pieces are all 0.175 fine and have their fineness inscribed on them. The bust of Benito Juarez, the hero of the insurgent movement against Maximilian, and the legend "ESTADO L.Y.S. DE OAXACA" (free and sovereign state of Oaxaca) appears on the obverse. The value and "MONEDA PROVISIONAL" (provisional coinage) appears on the reverse.

The sixty peso gold coin has a fineness of 902.7 inscribed on it but it is actually 0.859 fine. Only 45 of the 60 peso pieces were struck. The obverse is similar to the lower value issues but the bust of Juarez is smaller and has a wreath around it. The reverse has the balance scales surmounted by a liberty cap, and a scroll with "LEY" below the scales. The legend "REPUBLICA MEXICANA" appears on the reverse.

The Roosevelt dime was introduced in 1946, followed in 1948 by issuing the Franklin half dollar which was replaced by the Kennedy half in 1964 with coinage to date.

TEXAS TOKEN TOPICS

Interesting - Unusual

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TEXAS TRADE TOKEN TYPES

Trade tokens have been in use in Texas since the Republic and are still in use today in many forms. Tokens have had many uses over the years. Almost any type of business you can name used tokens in some way. A few of these were:

1. As a means of advancing credit—Merchants' tokens.
2. As a means of advances on wages—Lumber and coal companies.
3. To keep track of piece-work

done—Sheep shearing, berry picking, etc.

4. To stimulate trade—Saloon, bar and cafe tokens.
5. Advertising tokens—Store cards.

Each of these different types will be a subject by itself in months to come. Tokens are described in books, mail bids, etc. using a generally accepted standard I want to explain this now so that in the future we will all be talking the same language when describing tokens. The ob-



OBSOLETE TRADES - The above trade tokens are scarce items for collectors. The first pictured (up-down) is a rare token from Milano, Tex. Obverse reads J. B. Newton & Sons/General/Merchants/Milano/Texas; reverse - Good for/\$1.00/In/Merchandise 32mm, Oct., aluminum. Second token: general store or merchant token from Carmine, Tex. Third: old saloon token from San Antonio. Fourth: represents a bakery token from Port Arthur - Good for 5c Loaf of Bread (the "good ole" days.) Fifth: piece-work token from Uvalde - Good for One Sheep (sheared.)

verse of a trade token will usually have the merchant or company name along with the city and state. Tokens without the city and state are referred to as "mavericks." (Mavericks and methods that can be employed in learning where they are from will be the subject of next month's article.) The reverse will have "good" for a value in trade, in merchandise, or for a service rendered. Tokens that have no value on them, but used for advertising, are store cards.

One of the questions I am often asked is what is the difference between a token, medal or store card. Sometimes the lines dividing these groups are a little gray, but I will try to define each one as I see it.

Tokens were used by a business as a means of advancing credit, or as change; also used as a method of keeping track of piece work done. In the case of a token being used as a credit advance, this could have been a lumber company where a worker drew an advance on his wages. The advance would be given in tokens so they could only be spent at the company store. Another similar use would be a share-cropper who borrowed money from the general store to make his crop. The loan would be given in the form of tokens so that all the business would come back to the same store.

Tokens that were used as change circulated in a manner similar to circulating United States currency, but more often they were used as a promotional means to stimulate business. One method of doing this was for a general store in a farming area to buy the farmers' produce (eggs, butter, hides, etc.) The farmer was paid 10 per cent more if he accepted tokens in payment instead of regular money. This way the tokens had to be spent at the same store as they would not be

accepted by other merchants. Another type of promotional use of tokens was by barrooms, pool halls, domino parlors, etc. The losers of the games played were charged 10 cents for the table and the winners were given a 5 cent token which could only be spent at the place that issued the token. Once again it would bring the customer back. Of course, these examples only scratch the surface of different ways that tokens were used for credit, change, or to promote business.

Tokens that were used for keeping track of piece work done cover a wide range of industries and services. These types of tokens are still being used today by sheep shearing contractors. As each man shears a sheep, he is given a token and at the end of the day he turns in his tokens for the wages he is due. Store cards are similar to trade tokens but have no value or service on them so they are more of an advertising piece. The term "store card" is most often attached to Civil War tokens, or to earlier merchant tokens, and is very seldom used with anything of the 20th century. The reasoning for this I do not know. A very fine and rather new example of a Texas store card would be the Ed Frederich cards from San Antonio.

Medals are issued to commemorate a certain historical event or place, and will have nothing to do with a business or have any monetary value.

The ban to melt United States silver coins was lifted in 1969.

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IMPORTANT TNA BY-LAW CHANGES

The following amendments to the Texas Numismatic Association By-Laws were duly submitted to the governing board at the April 26, 1974 official meeting; approved; and presented for vote by the membership at the annual meeting on April 17, 1974. All amendments passed.

Article IV, Sec. 1 - Elections

Officers shall be elected for a two-year term with elections being held in odd years beginning with 1965. Except for the offices of Secretary, Treasurer and District Governors, no officer may serve more than two consecutive terms.

(Purpose: (1) allow District Governors to remain in office as long as they are actively interested in promoting and advancing interest and comprehensive knowledge of numismatics and TNA; (2) limit the tenure of the President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President to two consecutive terms; (3) eliminate controversial language, i.e. "no officer may succeed himself for more than two consecutive years," which has been erroneously interpreted as an error which was meant to mean, "two consecutive terms.")

Amendment of TNA By-Laws to require publication in the TNA News all amendments to the TNA Constitution and By-Laws, and matters concerning the membership.

Art. IX. add new Sec. 2. Renumber existing Sec. 2 & 3 as Sec. 3 & 4.

Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws shall be published in the TNA News

(Purpose: All amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws have been published in the TNA NEWS. This addition to the above will insure that this is properly carried out by all future editors.)

Article II Sec. 2 - Membership and Dues

Annual dues shall be as herein set forth:

- a. Regular & Chapter membership \$5.00
- b. Associate Membership \$1.00
- c. Junior Membership \$2.00
- d. Life Membership \$100, no annual dues
- e. Honorary Membership, no annual dues

(Purpose: The matter of increasing dues in September 1973 at the semi-annual TNA board meeting held in Austin, Tex. was incorrectly handled. Membership approval of amendments to the By-Laws is required.)

Article III Sec 2.d (5) Membership Directory

Stated: Prepare and have published a directory of members once every year.

The above was deleted from the By-Laws.

U.S. & FOREIGN COLLECTING TIPS

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INNOCENTS ABROAD

First of Three Parts - Amsterdam

We got to Amsterdam by accident! Our planned route was from New York to London. A heavy fog had most of England socked in so we flew on to Amsterdam.

As soon as the shops were open we went down to visit Jacques Schulman. He is second generation numismatist and has sons that are carrying on into the third generation.

The Schulman offices have for years been in what looks like a converted house in the downtown Amsterdam area. In fact, you enter a long hall - rather dark - and the offices are identified only by a small name plate. You enter into a room-size office that houses the receptionist (usually Mrs. Schulman.) Later Jacques was to tell us that he had 18 people on his staff so we presumed they were working in other parts of the building.

Through an open archway, we could see Jacques and his two sons sitting at large desks in the adjoining room. The room was lined on both sides with large safes about 6 feet tall and 3 feet deep and having slotted trays for the entire inside area.

After a warm welcome (I had known Jacques for about 15 years via the mail and had done business with him for all that time), Jacques waved to Goldie and me to look through the open safes and proceeded to go back to his work. At first I felt a little bit rebuffed but later found out that when he was working he was in a kind of hypnotic trance.

He motioned for Goldie and me to

go through the safes while he and the boys went back to work attributing coins. One of the boys had trays of 20 franc size gold coins. He later told us that he was weeding out the counterfeit coins. He led us to a safe that had about a dozen large trays marked "Counterfeit - Do Not Sell." Besides world gold of most countries, he had about two large trays of U.S. counterfeit gold. I thought I was pretty knowledgeable in this field but there were a few - especially \$1 gold, that would have fooled me!

We were especially interested in Russian coins as we were liquidating a large collection. It so happened that Schulman had several trays for us to go through. I pulled one tray out too far and dropped coins all over the floor! Schulman looked up with a smile and said, "We allow each visitor one drop."

After we got the coins back in place, he asked me if I would like to see his numismatic book collection. Of course I would! He took us into a room that easily held 5,000 books. This is known to be the best numismatic library in existence. Schulman was deservedly proud of it.

At first I was a bit puzzled at the lack of quality and diversification in the Schulman stock. They explained that most of their good merchandise was being readied for one of the four auction-mail bid sales they con-

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DEAR MOM -

By Richard E. Bonilla
Houston, Texas

DEAR MOM —

You have always been after me to do something with my life, to amount to something like my brother, the doctor, or my sister, the plumber. Can I help it if my tendencies run to more peaceful endeavors? Well, anyway, I think I have found my place in the complex structure of life. Mom, I am now a collector.

You don't have to sit down, mother. And you can tell that wise-guy brother of mine that I am a coin collector, not the other kind. It all began with an overcooked hamburger which I bought the other night at an all night diner when I was going home after a friendly poker session with the boys. It was all legal, Mom. The judge sat in and I let him win a few hands. Anyway, the hamburger tasted funny so I shared it with a neighborhood dog which was going around looking for some action. Well, this dog turned out to be the grateful kind and when we met the next night he gave me a package that he was carrying in his mouth. It turned out to be a package of five 1973 U.S. proof sets which the dog had found somewhere. Honest, Mom, I tried to find the owner but the address was all chewed out so I had to give up.

There they were, all those cute little coins, all bright and shiny, trying to communicate with me. I was never so frustrated in my life. I mean, I really wanted to know what they were trying to tell me, so I did the decent thing: I went to a coin club meeting.

Mom, you have never seen as nice a bunch of people as these coin collectors turned out to be when they found out that, although I had five 1973 U.S. proof sets, I didn't know

anything about coins. They all were proud to make my acquaintance; one of them, for instance, owns a gas station and he told me that he always had a little gas stashed away for intelligent young people like me, and another one, a butcher, was disappointed when I told him that I was a bachelor with an affinity for fried chicken to go.

So, here I am. A great new world has opened in front of me and I am looking forward to seeing my dog friend again to see if he can take jobs on commission. I'll tell you more about my new hobby and tell that wise-guy brother of mine that he cannot have the Ike proof dollar from any of my 1973 U.S. proof sets. Not even if he says please.

I'll write you again next month.
Your son, The Collector.

U. S. & FOREIGN —

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duct each year.

As Schulman was the only dealer of any consequence in numismatics from Amsterdam, we left him for further adventures in London.

In celebration of the centennial of its nationhood, Canada in 1967 issued a full set of circulation-issue coins bearing distinctive designs which recalled the formation on July 1, 1867, of a confederation uniting the government of Upper Canada, Lower Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The six special designs represented a zoo of distinctively Canadian animal life in combination with the commemorative legend.

JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

BY: DAVE CERVIN,
Amarillo, Texas

TNA Youth Chairman
ANA Texas Youth Representative

And now for the announcement of the winners of the two biggest awards that Texas can offer her juniors: Junior Numismatist of the Year, and Junior VIP. Junior Numismatist: Colin Tuttle, Houston; Junior VIP: Andrea Peppard, Odessa.

These awards are truly national in scope. Few states or regions, if any, have as active and well rounded program for juniors as Texas has. The results are astounding. Last year the winner of junior best-of-show at the ANA convention held in Boston was a member of TNA. Another junior was the only one in the nation to "make" **The Numismatist** with a full length article. TNA is now pioneering an awards program that can and will reach every junior member. Juniors are rewarded for numismatic achievements that are totally disconnected with competition. Generally, the result of their work not only enriches their own feeling and understanding of numismatists, but it brings a degree of satisfaction and pleasure to other numismatists. As a basic illustration —when a junior brings a numismatic program to any group, he or she receives an award. And just what are these awards? They are Roman coins. There are numerous ways other than presenting a program to earn a Roman coin.

Texas truly has a fine program for juniors. In fact the Roman coin award part is being considered for national adoption. So winners of Texas junior awards can truly feel proud of their achievements.

Now let's run a short profile on Colin Tuttle. Colin is the TNA Dis-

trict 6 Junior Governor. (This is a new type of office that may be added to the other districts.) He was exhibit chairman for the recent Greater Houston Coin Club's Money Show. He was registration co-chairman of this year's TNA show at Houston. He is a member of two coin clubs, Greater Houston and Bellaire. Nationally speaking he is a member of ANA.

Exhibit-wise, Colin is pretty sharp. For two straight years he won "Best Junior" trophy at the GHCC. As a result, this past year he entered a non-competitive exhibit. He helped the club participate in and exhibit at the Light Company in Houston. At club meetings he has brought numerous programs, presenting such varied topics as the Carson City Mint, James Longacre, and 16th century jettons (counting tokens.) Programs have been brought to both of his clubs. They are spiced with his coin exhibits.

Now for a profile of Andrea Peppard. In her case, she is "winner and still the champion." As Junior VIP (junior who secures the greatest number of new members) Andrea gets this accolade because this is her third consecutive award in this field. As a matter of fact this trophy has been up for grabs only three times and she has won it every time! So highest congratulations, Andrea. Incidentally, this year's race was no walkover. It was so close that two people made separate counts before mutually agreeing on her victory.

Now about Andrea herself. She is
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from the

first vice president

Texas Numismatic Association

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Thanks to all of you who helped to make our annual convention such a great success. Because I was directly concerned with the educational program and exhibits, I must express my personal thanks to Charlotte Nichols, exhibit chairman, and to Dave Cervin and Grover Criswell, who were our guest speakers. A detailed report of these events will appear elsewhere.

We heard many people praise the excellence of the exhibits and Charlotte, along with the exhibitors, deserve our appreciation. Judges Chris Johns, Gerald Kendall and George Sommers also deserve our sincere thanks for agreeing to perform the difficult task of selecting the winners.

Wilson Walters, executive secretary of the Retail Coin Dealers Association, graciously came to our rescue when a shortage of display cases developed. He helped load up my station wagon with RCDA cases and sent me on my way. Without his help, our exhibit program would have been a disaster.

Several suggestions for changes in our exhibit rules and procedures were received and deserve serious consideration. All suggestions are welcome and we hope that those making them will follow up with a written recommendation to me, so that they will not be overlooked when the exhibit packet is undergoing revision.

President Chris Jasso and members of the Greater Houston Coin Club can look back with pride on hosting such a highly successful 1974 TNA convention. Our sincere thanks go to all of you who helped to make it a show to remember!

"POP" WILDER DIES MAY 13

Max B. Wilder, known to his many friends as "Pop," died May 13 in Austin at the age of 81.

"Pop" was a charter member of the Texas Numismatic Assn. and the Austin Coin Club. He was active and hardworking in TNA, ANA and his local club. He had many friends in numismatics and will be missed among the ranks.

Services were held May 15 in Austin. "Pop" is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Metric System Guide Issued

In anticipation of the U.S. conversion to the metric system, J. J. Keller & Associates, Inc., 145 W. Wisconsin Ave., Neenah, Wisc. 54956 has issued "Metric System Guide—Volume I." This is the first and only such guide in the U.S. and deals with orientation and structure of metrification in this nation.

Copies are available from the publisher at \$59.00 each.

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Mrs. Augusta Folda
420 Heritage Drive
Tyler, Texas 75701



Welcome to members 2759-2792-C-157.

If approved the following will become members July 1, 1974

2855 (D-8) Simon A. Watson, 653 Roberts, Corpus Christi, Tex. 78412. U.S. and Foreign Coins. John C. Face, Martin Rittenhouse.

J-2856 (D-8) Andy Watson, 653 Roberts, Corpus Christi, Tex. 78412. U.S. and Foreign. John C. Face, Martin Rittenhouse

2857 C H Wolfe, Box 222, Lakeside, Ohio 43440. Dealer. Ancient and Medieval. D. R. Cervin.

2858 (D-1) John F. Cowen, Box 9936, Denton, Tex 76203. Mexican Revolutionary and U.S. C. C. Andrews.

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2860 (D-5) William B Newland, 1408 Armstrong, Plano, Tex. 75074. Type Sets. Marvin A. Currie Jr.

J-2861 (D-6) Charles L. Gribble, 7415 Jalna, Houston, Tex. 77055. Cents, Halves and Medals. Marvin A. Currie Jr.

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2864 (D-4) Robert Coleman Foster Jr., 1416 Valley Ridge Dr. No. 2, Austin, Tex. 78704.

2865 Jan Bronson, 8844 Olympic

Bvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211. Gold Coins. Augusta Folda.

2866 Claude Amsellem, 164 Country Ridge Dr., Port Chester, N. Y. 10573. Ancient Greek and Roman, Crowns, Gold. Fred Clark, Miriam Gilmore.

2867 David L. Keeffe, 615 Ringwood Ave., Pennton Lakes, N. J. 07442. Silver Dollars and Gold. Colin Tuttle.

2868 (D-6) Stanley P. Smock, 518 Magnolia, Lake Jackson, Tex. 77566. General. D. O. Joplin. E. L. Pitzer.

2869 (D-6) James C. Kyle, Box 507, Lake Jackson, Tex. 77566. U.S. Coins. D. O. Joplin. E. L. Pitzer.

A-2870 (D-6) Mrs. James C. Kyle, Box 507, Lake Jackson, Tex. 77566. U.S. Coins. D. O. Joplin. E. L. Pitzer.

2871 (D-6) Joel F. Talton Jr., Box 1014, Pasadena, Tex. 77501. D. O. Joplin.

2872 George E. Hoopes, Downer Rd. No. 320, Williamstown, N. J. 08094. General. D. O. Joplin.

2873 (D-6) V. S. Murty, 4147 Anita, Houston, Tex. 77004. U.S. Lyman C. Bartee

2874 (D-6) Charles Edward Adams, 6740 de Moss, Houston, Tex. 77036. Crownsize pieces. W. W. D. O. Joplin, Mrs. William Rust.

2875 M. Ralph Brown, 210 Suivshing Bldg., Albuquerque, N. M. 87102. Mexican. Miriam Gilmore.

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J-2879 (D-6) Mark Boucher, 1415 Wirt Road No. 113, Houston, Tex. 77055. D. O. Joplin.

2880 Tom Jones, 13114 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn, Mich. 48126. Paper and Tokens. Lyman C. Bartee.

2881 (D-5) Oliver C. Clifford III, 6300 N. Central Ek., Dallas, Tex. Dealer. J. H. Rowe.

J-2882 (D-6) William Bauer, 4718 Tenawanda Dr., Houston, Tex. 77035. U.S. Cents and Dollars. John C. Face.

2883 (D-7) Frank Galindo, Box 12217, San Antonio, Tex. 78212. U.S., Mexican, Ration Currency. Colin Tuttle, Charlotte Nichols.

A-2884 (D-7) Mrs. Karla Galindo, Box 12217, San Antonio, Tex. 78212. U.S., Mexican, Ration Currency. Colin Tuttle, Charlotte Nichols.

2885 (D-6) Bruce G. Williams, 7211 Shady Moss Lane, Houston, Tex. 77040. U.S. Coins. Jerry Williams.

2886 (D-3) Herman Nations, 717 East New Mexico, Sweetwater, Tex. 79556. U.S. Coins. Buz Sawyer.

C-158 Lea County Coin Club, Box 758, Hobbs, N. M. 88240. D. O. Joplin.

2887 (D-6) David R. Mizner, 5830 S. Lake HSTN Pkwy, A-79, Houston, Tex. 77049. Foreign and U.S. Types. D. O. Joplin, E. L. Pitzer.

DECEASED

2357 (D-5) Jack Whitehurst, 1601 Elm St., Dallas, Tex. 75201.

CORRECTIONS

LM17 Jack Setzer, 307 Herndon, Shreveport, La. 71101.

J-2804 (D-6) David Dirks, 2203 Brentwood, Houston, Tex. 77019.

LIFE MEMBER

LM65 (D-3) Buz Sawyer, Box 2741,

Abilene, Tex. 79604. Proposed by Miriam Gilmore.

JUNIOR READIN' —

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a 13-year-old native Odessan, who attends the eighth grade at Nimitz Junior High School. She has been a member of the Odessa Coin Club and TNA for the past three years and has attended the TNA convention each year. Exhibit-wise she is a crackerjack. She has won Best Junior exhibit award at the TNA twice.

Andrea's collecting interests are medals, tokens and coins of Edward VIII. She has won numerous awards at shows other than at the state TNA as already mentioned. In 1973 she won best junior exhibit at the International Coin Show in El Paso, Permian Basin Coin Show in Odessa, South Plains Coin Show, Lubbock, and the Money Mart Show in Austin. In 1973 she gave a talk on Roman coins to her history class at Nimitz Junior High.

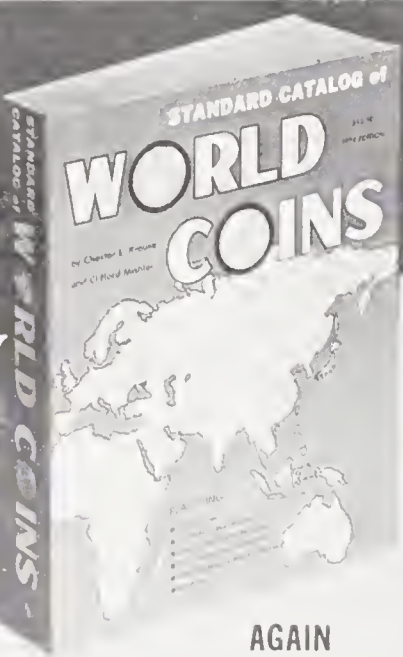
Besides being a young numismatist, Andrea is a member of the Nimitz track, volleyball, basketball and gymnastics teams. In 1973 she won over 40 awards in sports competition, including being a member of the record breaking State TAAF 440 yard relay team. She attends the First Presbyterian Church, likes to play the piano, cook and sew.

Isn't it great to have a Junior VIP with such marvelous talent and initiative?

We are proud of these two fine young people. They are a real credit to all juniors, in all activities, everywhere.

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1974 TNA CONVENTION —

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ance during the three-day event and expressed his appreciation to the hard working committces. Bob As-trich was in charge of the bourse; Charlotte Nichols and Charles A. Wingo, TNA first vice president, exhibits; A. J. Lanier and Colin Tuttle, registration; Richard Bonilla, publicity; William Johnson, treasurer; Pat Sharon, program; and gold type set for the special drawing. Astro City Coin Co., Houston R. T. Graves, Cypress, Tex., was the winner of the gold set.

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S-4p—British Colonial Coins and Tokens, J. Vernon Scaife Jr., 1962, ANA.

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E-7p—The Copper Coins of France, O. P. Eklund, 1962, ANA.

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JULY 6-7

NORTHLINE COIN CLUB, 7th annual show, Holiday Inn, 9799 Katy FWY-1-10, Houston. **CONTACT:** J. R. Luker, 3603 Breacrest, Houston 77016.



JULY 13-14

GARLAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Lions Club Bldg., Garland. **BOURSE:** Ray Holt, Rt. 1, Box 210-1, Rockwall 75087.



JULY 26-28

MIDWEST COIN & STAMP CLUB, annual show, Red Carpet Inn, South Interstate Hwy. 35, Oklahoma City, Okla. **Chmn.:** Cecil Morris, Box 10983, Midwest City, Okla. 73110.



AUGUST 3-4

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, 11th coin show, Community Center, 7000 S. Rice, Bellaire. **WRITE:** Club, Box 303, Bellaire 77401.



AUGUST 9-11

SHREVEPORT COIN CLUB, Greater Ark-La-Tex Coin Convention, Convention Center, 500 River Parkway, Shreveport. **BOURSE:** J. M. Avery, 5714 Doris St., Shreveport, La. 71109.



SEPTEMBER 7-8

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, annual show, Town House Motor Hotel. **WRITE CLUB:** Box 87, San Angelo 76901.

SEPTEMBER 15

PORT ISABEL COIN CLUB annual show, Sea Island Motel. Further details later.



SEPTEMBER 21-22

ODESSA COIN CLUB, annual Permian Basin coin show, Inn of the Golden West. **WRITE:** H. R. Peppard, 1509 Westbrook, Odessa 79761.



SEPTEMBER 28-29

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Stephen F. Austin Hotel. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.



OCTOBER 5-6

NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB, annual WILDCAT SHOW, Sweetwater. **WRITE:** Mabel Cunningham, Box 777, Sweetwater 79556.



OCTOBER 5-6

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB, 13th annual show, Green Oaks Motor Inn, Interstate 20 West. **BOURSE:** Bob Slocum, Box 7167, Fort Worth.



OCTOBER 19-20

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Exposition Hall, Corpus Christi. **CONTACT:** Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415.



NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 1

PASADENA COIN CLUB, 14th annual Show, 500 Gulfgate Mall and Highway 225.

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FORT WORTH SUMMER COIN SHOW, International Ballroom, Blackstone Hotel, 5th & Main, Fort Worth, Tex. 76101. **BOURSE:** Walter Magnus Box 6954, Fort Worth, Tex. 76134. (817) 293-3860.

PICTORIAL



CLUB SALUTE WINNERS - Ouida Davis accepting for Corpus Christi Coin Club, 1st place; Shirley Williams, Greater Port Arthur Coin Club, 2nd place; Fred Clark, San Angelo Coin Club, 3rd. At left is Fred Green, sponsor of the awards, and publisher of "Today's Coins" at Kermit, Tex.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS - Grouped are 1st place exhibit winners: H. R. Peppard; Bill and Judy Slate; Richard Schweers and Richard Bonilla. Not shown are Matt Rothert and Jerry Williams.



..... Colin Tuttle received a membership in Maximilian Numismatic Society presented by C. H. Roberts, MNHS president.



..... 1st 1974 TNA medal passed to Pres. Lynman Bartee by Roger Earwood, left, medals chairman.

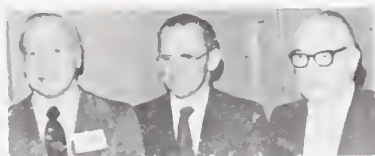


..... C. C. Andrews, Dallas, VIP AWARD winner.

REVIEW



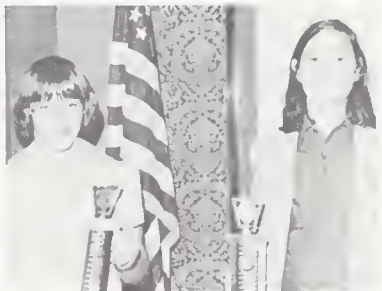
..... educational forum speakers - Dave Cervin and Grover Criswell.



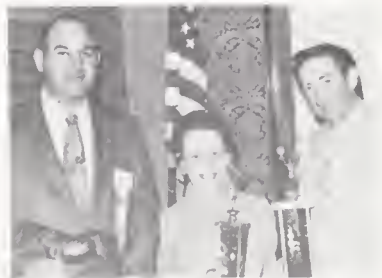
SPECIAL GUESTS - George Hatie, vice president of the American Numismatic Assn. attended the 1974 TNA convention along with Fred Green, TODAY'S COINS publisher, center, and Tom Jones, president of the Michigan State Numismatic Assn.



..... Chris Johns and Carlton Brush tell of early days at FOUNDER'S REUNION



JUNIOR SPECIALS - Andrea Peppard won the 1973 JUNIOR VIP AWARD, marking three consecutive years as winner; while Colin Tuttle was named JUNIOR NUMISMATIST OF THE YEAR.



SPECIAL AWARDS - Jerry Williams won the A. I. MARTIN MEMORIAL AWARD for best "Spirit of the Old West" exhibit; Miriam Gilmore, L. G. DAVENPORT NUMISMATIC ERROR AWARD; and Joe V. Frantz, HARVEY BRUNS MEXICAN AWARD.

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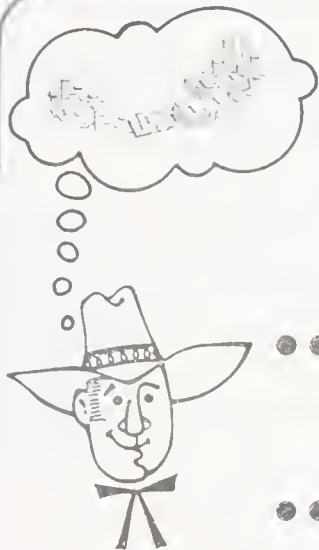
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DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT ONE:

The Fort Worth Coin Club will hold its 13th annual coin show October 5-6 at the Green Oaks Inn, 6901 W. Freeway at Intersection of I-20 and Hwy. 183. Bob Slocum is bourse chairman and his address is Box 7167, Fort Worth.



G. W. Somers
Governor

Twenty attended the April meeting of the Arlington Coin Club to hear Everett Hull of Fort Worth speak followed by a coin trade session. The club meets the third Wednesday at the Arlington Daily News building.

Hull spoke on TNA, exhibits and prizes, and the ANA certification service. He gave highlights on TNA history and passed out membership applications.—Christopher Luke, Corr. Sec.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger High were welcomed as new members of the Mineral Wells Coin Club at the April meeting held at the North Oak Community Center with 25 present. Mrs. Sarena Strong was a guest.

Prizes were won by Dee Sparks, Betty Davis, June High and Dorothy Strong. It was announced that Mrs. Lee Waltman had been released from the hospital. Betty Davis and Bonnie Brooks furnished refreshments and were congratulated for the fine work done in providing the social hour — Mike Holub, Reporter.

DISTRICT THREE:

Fred Clark discussed plans for the annual coin show to be held in September at the May meeting of the San Angelo Coin Club held at the Town House Motor Hotel. Clark named the various show chairmen and suggested that coin



Bob Neely
Governor

displays be placed at the banks and other locations during show time. He also gave a report on the TNA convention and announced that the club had won third in the TNA Club Salute competition. The club voted to purchase two cases for TNA.

At the April meeting, Weldon Surber gave the program on the current crisis of silver and gold. Surber listed three ways of buying with the least risk: (1) buy bags of silver coins by yourself, (2) buy through a broker; (3) future market—never taking delivery. Just buy and sell on future market.—Mrs. Verna Vautrain, Sec.

A \$10,000 bill will be on display along with other currency at the October 5-6 Wildcat show to be hosted by Nolan County Coin Club in Sweetwater. The April meeting was held at the Texas Bank with 22 present.

An auction followed the program which was presented by Buz Sawyer. A slide set was shown on Medieval images of Western Europe furnished by the TNA MEMORIAL LI

BRARY.—Vadie Nations, Sec.



DISTRICT FOUR:

After experimenting at the April meeting with a half hour trading period before the meeting, members of the **Waco Coin Club** voted to designate that time as a permanent trading session. The meeting, attended by 40, was held at TP&L Service Center.

Over 50 per cent of the auction items were sold.—J. P. Jones, Sec.



TNA Governor Keith Johnson presented a program on National Coin Week, and the advantages received by individuals by participation, at the April meeting of the **Austin Coin Club**.

Johnson stressed the importance of the local and state organizations contributing to the success of national associations.—Lyman C. Barte, Sec.



DISTRICT FIVE:

Numismatics International of Dallas held an exhibit night at the April meeting held at Midway Hills Christian Church and the "Founders' Trophy" was to be given to best in show.

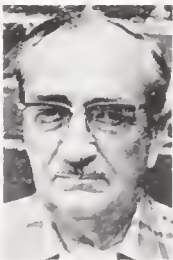
The April issue of the NI bulletin contained articles on coins of Sweden, HU POO coins and emergency money.



The **Dallas Coin Club** held its 551st meeting at the Baker Hotel



Keith Johnson
Governor



C. C. Andrews
Governor

in April with 28 members and eight guests present.

The 1974 coin club roster and information pamphlet was reported on and discussed in some detail. It appears the greatest general value of this publication will be to the club members who travel. They will be able to select routes allowing them to attend meetings of other clubs.

Col. Charles A. Wingo, TNA first vice president, presented a slide program on postage and fractional currency with appropriate augmentation. This is a collecting field of interest to Col. Wingo. Wingo won a 1964 proof set as the attendance prize.—C. C. Andrews, Sec.



The fifth annual coin show was held by members of the **Hunt County Coin Club** on May 4-5 at the Greenville Junior High School cafeteria. Final plans were made at the April meeting.

Members voted to change meeting sites. The new place is First Greenville National Bank Bldg. on the first Thursday. L. E. McMains was auctioneer for the evening.—Audra Lamm, Sec.



The **Garland Coin Club** will host its annual coin show July 13-14 at the Lions Club Building in Garland. Robert E. Hewgley is general chairman; Ray Holt is in charge of bourse; and Geo. F. Johnson, exhibits. For information write Hewgley at 502 Thistle, Garland 75040.



An unusually interesting and educational program was presented to members and guests of the **Texoma Land Coin and Stamp Club** of Denison-Sherman by Lynn Mathis at the first April meeting. His presentation centered on the increased value of U.S. gold coins.

Mathis displayed and discussed, a number of early, rare and common

gold coins and sets. He showed that the increased value of common gold coins was largely the result of the increased value of gold bullion. On the other hand, scarce gold coins, especially in top grades, had enjoyed an additional and in many cases, spectacular increase, because of other numismatic considerations.

In observance of National Coin Week, the club placed exhibits in three of the Denison-Sherman banks. The displays were prepared by John Megginson, Lawrence Massey and Charles Wingo.—Col. Chas. A. Wingo, TNA Rep.



DISTRICT SIX:

New officers head the Pasadena Coin Club and include: Ray Clarkson, president; Armando Ellena, vice president; Bill Chase, secretary; George Morton, treasurer. Also, Don Brewer, Sgt. at Arms, and Vaughn Radcliffe, Board of Governors.



Marvin Currie
Governor

Programs for meetings, which are held at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, have been on paper money by Arthur Leary and Barber halves in the form of a quiz. The quiz prize was won by Ray Clarkson.—Marvin A. Currie Jr., Gov. Dist. 6.



The regular meeting of Galveston County Coin Club was held at Nessler Center in Texas City with President Claude Ressler presiding. He was awarded the "early bird" prize of a 1922 silver dollar.

Carl Nessler conducted a "poor man's" auction and Cliff Moorehead won a silver dollar during the refreshment break. A report was given

on the Gem and Mineral Club show held in Dickinson. Moorehead is a club member and stated that the show was well attended. Ruby Threlkeld reported on the excellent exhibits and gold "pack mule" trophies given to winners.—Ruby Threlkeld Sec.



Final plans were made for the 7th annual coin show sponsored by the Northline Coin Club of Houston. The show will be held at the Holiday Inn July 6-7. A crisp uncirculated \$100 bill will be the grand prize for a special drawing.

The club met in April at the VFW Hall on Peggy Street with 21 present.—John B. Cash, Recording Sec.



Program for La Marque Coin Club in April were on copper cents and grading. On April 4 Mrs. Charles Lehmann talked on "The Copper Cent" and told the story of cents from 1792 to the present. She displayed the different issues showing both the obverse and reverse.

On April 18 Jay Akey gave a program on coin grading and used the Franklin half dollar as an example.

The club picnic was discussed and a new place will be found to hold it in. Final decision was to be made in May. Copies of *Coin World* and *Numismatic News* were given to members who do not subscribe and several "Did You Knows" were given from *Coin World*.—Ruby Threlkeld, Sec.



DISTRICT SEVEN:

Lee Grossman is the new president for the Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio. Others elected were Bob Krockner, first vice president; Ilse Griffith, second vice president; Charles Kammer, secretary; and Tom Crum, treasurer. Board members include Ray Whyborn, Del Cooke, Marcus Brown and John

Holds.

The club now meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays instead of the second Wednesday and fourth Tuesday at KSAT-TV Studios. Average attendance at the two April meetings was 18 members and guests.—Charles Kammer, Sec.



DISTRICT EIGHT:

The Beeville Coin Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the Commercial National Bank. For further information contact Chas. T. Galoway, Box 1209, Beeville.



C. H. Roberts gave the program for the second April meeting of the Corpus Christi Coin Club on "Cuban Gold." He reported that the word Cuba was derived from the Indian word CUBANACAN and NACAN means "in the middle." Columbus discovered Cuba in 1492 and Spain considered this as the gateway to America and used it as an advanced base for its ships and soldiers. When issued, like many Latin American countries, the Cuban gold peso was equal to the U.S. gold dollar. Cubans put 13 gold coins in doweries for weddings for the wealthy and those not so wealthy used silver coins.

Roberts also reported on the scarcity of the Cuban silver pesos. They were sold for their silver content but the Cuban bank put back one sack of each date. They slipped up on the year 1937 and failed to reserve a bag. During shipment, it is reported, the 1937 sack was broken open and some of the coins were scattered and eventually wound



John C. Face
Governor

up in the hands of collectors

At a previous meeting held at Wilson Tower, Martin Rittenhouse conducted an auction.—Club Bulletin.



"The Unlucky Hand of Franz Joseph I" was the subject discussed by Lee Grossman of San Antonio when he was a guest of the Liberty Coin Club of Corpus Christi. He also exhibited coins and gave short talks on Isle of Man, the one half puffin of Lundy and Ludwig II, king of Bavaria. Grossman was made an honorary member of the club.

Ralph Watters was auctioneer for one of the meetings held at Wilson Tower and one of the items for sale was a 1974 mint set.—Club Bulletin.



DISTRICT NINE:

Larry McKinney and James Hogue were in charge of the program for the April meeting of the South Plains Coin Club in Lubbock. A slide set was shown on ancient coins. Jim Hall conducted the auction.

Thirty eight attended the meeting held at First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. building.—D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.



A discussion was held by six members of the Levelland Coin Club at the April meeting at the Chamber of Commerce on TNA NEWS stories "running too long" and also making a contribution to the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY. The library donation was voted down.

D. O. Joplin announced that there were 10 entries for the TNA CLUB SALUTE AWARD.—D. O. Joplin, Gov.



D. O. Joplin
Governor

Dist. 9.



D. O. Joplin reported on National Coin Week activities and the TNA convention at the April meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. The meeting was held at the Reddy Room with 16 present.

Larry Sanderson was to seek a secretary to serve out the existing term which was vacated.—D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.



DISTRICT THIRTEEN:

Members and guests of the **Wichita Falls Stamp and Coin Club** met in April at their new location in the Beverly Drive United Methodist Church and discussed plans for the May coin and stamp show.

Rev. E. S. Poore presented the program, sharing his knowledge of stamp collecting and displayed literature from his personal library.

W. C. Williams and Rev. Poore conducted the auction followed by refreshments served by Mrs. Polly Horn.—Mrs. G. M. Howard, Publicity.



DISTRICT FOURTEEN:

The annual coin show staged by the **Port Isabel Coin Club** will be held on Sunday, September 15 at the Sea Island Motel on South Padre Island. For further information write the club at Box 184, Port Isabel, Tex. 78578 —



W. C. Williams
Governor



L. G. Davenport
Governor

Ethel Morgan, Sec.



A report on the TNA convention was given by L. G. Davenport and Miriam Gilmore at the May meeting of the **Hidalgo Coin Club** held at Chisum's Rock Shop in Pharr.

Ada Lee Chisum, Louise Eitelgeorge, Davenport and Mrs. Gilmore displayed exhibits for the club contest.—Miriam Gilmore, Reporter.



DISTRICT FIFTEEN:

Sidney King was the speaker at the April meeting of the **Beaumont Coin Club** and discussed Texas commemoratives. King exhibited 14 Texas silver coins.

Pat Mounier gave informative "Didja Know?" and T. G. Brown conducted the auction.

At the March meeting, Lt. Ed Woodsmall, consultant against crime with the Beaumont Police Dept., presented a film on safety locks and things one should do to protect cars and household items that could help prevent burglaries.—Club Bulletin.



Richard Krummel gave the program at the March meeting of the **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** held at Bonanza Pit. Krummel spoke on gold and also conducted the auction.

A slide set showing was planned for the April meeting by Gary Gerald. The subject was to be on silver coins from the quarter to the collar.—Club Bulletin.



NEIGHBOR CLUBS:

Another New Mexico club has been added to the TNA rolls and we welcome **Lea County Coin Club**, Box



Jerry Williams
Governor



The club secretary for the Lafayette, La. Coin Club was to speak on Confederate currency with primary emphasis on Louisiana currency issued during this period at the April meeting.



Mesilla Valley Coin Club of Las Cruces, N Mex. has been enjoying slide sets from the TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY in recent months, according to Al Reynolds, club secretary.

THE ERRORS OF MY WAY —

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struck coin.

The only known specimens of this kind of error are with Lincoln cents, and involve a brockage struck coin stuck to the obverse die.

The sequence of events involving this error occurs in the following manner: A blank planchet is struck in a normal way, but is improperly ejected and either remains on or returns to the reverse die. This sets up the unusual brockage strike. Next, although the ejection function failed, the feeder part of the cycle was accomplished. The next blank was placed on top of the previously struck and retained coin to be struck. When the obverse die descended, striking the piggy-back planchet, it not only received the brockage strike, but also stuck to the obverse die as it ascended to the top of its cycle. When the brockage coin was lifted from the previously struck coin, the lower coin was successfully ejected and a new blank was placed within the coin chamber. Another strike of the dies was made, this time the obverse die being capped with the brockage coin. The result of that

Exhibit Judge Program Set

A program for certifying exhibit judges will be repeated this year during the convention of the American Numismatic Assn. to be held in Florida. Those wishing to participate are asked to contact Tom Jones, program director, 13114 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn, Mich. 48126 by July 1.

This program is intended to alleviate the shortage of qualified exhibit judges and those who have had experience either on a local or state level are welcome to attend.

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strike was a COUNTER BROCKAGE. It was ejected and received normal treatment through the remaining minting procedures.

WORLD PAPER MONEY, MEDALS, CA COINS BREAK BID RECORDS AT TNA CONVENTION AUCTION

World paper money and Central American coinage gained prominence for collectors at the 16th Texas Numismatic Association auction conducted by Almanzar's Coins of the World of San Antonio.

Strong bidding by both mail and floor placed emphasis on all foreign material with coinage of the Dominican Republic taking the spotlight, according to Al Almanzar, firm owner. "Coins of the Dominican Republic are becoming popular and the sleepers are waking up," Almanzar said. "In fact, all Central American coinage is taking a strong lead in foreign collecting."

Record prices were paid on paper money - Lot #1, 1000 Angolares, Banco de Angola, specimen - \$190; #23, 5 shillings sterling, Cape of Good Hope Bank, XF - \$140; #64, complete set of Cuba pre-Castro 1 peso notes, Series 1934-1960, VF to CU, 15 pieces - \$275; #67, 10 pesos Ecuador, Banco Particular de Descuento 1 de Guayaquil, 1862 - \$260; #86, 50c, El Banco de Honduras, CU - \$125; #91, Mexico, Banco de Hidalgo, specimen set, 50c, 1, 5, 10 pesos 1883, average VF - 650, and #133, 5 pesos,

Banco Nacional de Venezuela, about VG - \$255.

Medals: #150, Bolivian gold cross for INGAVI, 1841, VF - \$180; #161, Bolivia, dictator Melgarejo, 1866, UNC. - \$150; #171, Chile, bust of President Allende, silver, UNC. - \$104; #231, Mexico, gold, 1957, map of Campeche, busts of Garcia and Baranda, XF - \$250; #232, Mexico, gold, Chamizal balance scales, flags of Mexico and United States, 1963, proof surface - \$210; and #264, Peru, cross for Callao, gold, 1866, mint issue - \$215.

Worldwide coinage: #385, China, Kwangtung Province, 5 pieces, 5, 10, 20, 50 cents and one dollar, UNC. - \$330; #406, Colombia, 1/2 real copper, 1813, Popayan Provisional, XF-AU - \$600; #422, Costa Rica 4 real, 6-pointed star, worn and holed - \$375; #528, Iran, 5000 dinars, 1322 (1904), AU - \$880; #648, St Eustatius, 1 bit, 1771, Herman Gossling token, F - \$250; #711, Sardinia, museum set of 4 coins, Charles II of Spain, struck in Spanish Sardinia at the Cagliari mint, 1 real, 1698, 2 1/2 real 1695, 5 real 1674, 10 real 1684, no previous record of sale found, XF - \$2020; and #731, Salvador 25c pattern, matched the design of the 1892 20c, silver, 3 pieces recorded, BU - \$630; #742, Colombia, 5 pesos 1859 Confederacion Grandma, gold, XF - \$1250; and #748, Mexico, Guadalajara, 8 escudos 1836, rare date listing, VF - \$900.

Cobs, 8 reales and pesos, #843, 8R 1687VR, F-VF, plugged hole - \$510; #948, Bolivia, 1 Boliviano 1866, inverted assayer's initials, XF - \$330; #970, Chile, 8R 1810FJ, XF-AU, choice, toned - \$410; #1007, Chile, 8R 1822 Valdivia, XF - \$520; #1050,

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AUCTION ROUNDUP - Almanzar's Coins of the World of San Antonio conducted a record-breaking auction at the TNA convention. Above are: Al Almanzar, firm owner; George Bennett, California, auctioneer; Mrs. Almanzar; and Carol Hutchins, staff member.

TNA Editor Receives New Ambassador Award

Miriam Gilmore, TNA NEWS editor, received a new national award - the NUMISMATIC AMBASSADOR AWARD - at the annual awards' breakfast held on Sunday morning during the TNA convention. This new award recognizes outstanding people from coast to coast whose extraordinary leadership abilities, devotion, sincerity, patience, perseverance and ability to get things done have contributed greatly to the hobby's development and has been unveiled under the sponsorship of "Numismatic News Weekly."

A Numismatic Ambassador is more than a knowledgeable collector. He or she is a person who shares spare time and knowledge with others, by answering questions of beginning collectors and presenting informative programs at coin-related and civic

gatherings." News publisher Chester L. Krause stated in announcing the award. "Above all," Krause added, "the Ambassador has earned the respect of other collectors because of his knowledge and his faithful service to the hobby on local, regional and national levels."

In presenting the first award to Charles Colver of California, News senior editor Clifford Mishler observed: "We at Iola, Wisc. (News headquarters) have long felt these individuals, while recognized for their special contributions to the hobby in the local area, have not received the national recognition that is merited. After all, it's their grassroots support that has made our hobby truly national in scope and influence."

Colver is an active coin collector (47 years) and has been one of the leaders of the California State Numismatic Assn., which he has served as secretary since 1965, for many years.

Mrs. Gilmore has enjoyed a similar status in the Texas Numismatic Assn. which she has served devotedly since its founding 14 years ago, 11 of them as the driving force behind TNA NEWS. She has also been active in TNA committee work and local club activities.

"Mrs. Gilmore has given freely of her time and efforts to help make the state organization better," News editor Arnold Jeffcoat said while presenting her the second Numismatic Ambassador Award. "She has made it one of the most respected collectors journals in the nation."

Winning selections are based on the credit they have lent to the hobby through the years. They exemplify basic principles that make coin collecting such an enjoyable pastime. They are sincere in their devotion to collecting. They evidence honesty and integrity in everything they do. Above all, perhaps, they display a keen

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NUMISMATIC AMBASSADOR Miriam Gilmore was named as one of the selected NUMISMATIC AMBASSADORS of 1974 and was presented the award by Arnold Jeffcoat, representing "Numismatic News Weekly" of Iola, Wisc. The presentation was made during the TNA convention in Houston.



SPMC GATHERING - Jess Peters of Decatur, Ill. spoke to a small group of Society of Paper Money Collectors during the TNA convention in Houston. Peters talked on the future of currency followed by a round table discussion. Pictured, front row: Boh Medlar, Tom Bain, Roman Latimer, Bill Logan and Homer Brooks. Back: Col. Chas. A. Wingo, Fran Nowak, Jess Peters, George Johnson, Jake Sureck, H. T. McKissack and Ron Keysor, Coin World representative.



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OLDTIMERS REMINISCE EARLY DAYS OF TNA

The 14th anniversary of the Texas Numismatic Association was celebrated with nine founders and many oldtimers attending a special event during the 1974 convention held in Houston.

A TNA FOUNDERS' REUNION luncheon was held Saturday noon, April 27, with 51 in attendance. Founders and first officers honored were Joe B. Davis, first president; Carlton Brush, first vice president; and Augusta Folda, first secretary-treasurer. Other founders present who attended the initial meeting on January 10, 1960 in Port Lavaca were Dolly-Maude Harris, Doris Martin, Chris and Bill Johns, Jim Chambers and Jack Setzer. Also present was Mrs. Virginia Adams, wife of the late Jig Adams,



FOUNDERS CELEBRATE - Nine of the 47 numismatists who gathered in Port Lavaca in January 1960 to lay the foundation for the Texas Numismatic Assn. gathered in Houston for a reunion. The special event was held during the 1974 TNA convention at the Rice Hotel. Front row: Joe B. Davis, Corpus Christi, first president; Doris Martin, Houston, first TNA NEWS editor; Augusta Folda, Tyler, first secretary-treasurer; Dolly-Maude Harris, Austin, first historian; and Chris Johns, Houston, former youth chairman and district governor. Back row: Jim Chambers, Port Lavaca; Jack Setzer, Shreveport, La., hoth former district governors; Bill Johns, Houston; and Carlton Brush, Farmersville, first vice president.

who had also attended the first meeting.

Talk of the past and the growth of TNA from babyhood to the recognized adult it is today took up the allotted time for the reunion.

Many contributions were made to make the reunion possible and Miriam Gilmore and Chris Johns, co-chairmen for the event, wish to thank those who were so generous with gifts of attendance prizes, cash donations and time. They include Clark Coursey, Greater Houston Coin Club, Bank of the Southwest, Fred Brooks, Fort Worth Coin Co., W. J. Bingham Coin Co., El Paso Coin Co., Merchants Park Bank, Robert Astrich, Larry Hanks, Bob Medlar, Chris and Bill Johns, and Miriam Gilmore.

Contributions amounted to more than expenses and plans are to use the extra funds to purchase two slide sets for the **TNA MEMORIAL LIBRARY** in honor of the founders and oldtimers.

TNA EDITOR —

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sense of sharing - both of their time and knowledge.

In the years to come, Colver and Mrs. Gilmore, along with this year's remaining recipients of the News' Numismatic Ambassador Award, will be asked to participate in choosing their counterparts. Functioning as an advisory panel, this group will pass upon candidate nominations submitted by readers of Numismatic News Weekly.

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SPECIAL PROGRAM HOSTED BY MNHS

Gene Plentl of Houston, grandson of Adolphus Plentl who was a member of Maximilian's military band, was the featured speaker at a special meeting and educational forum presented by the Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society during the 1974 TNA convention in Houston.

Plentl gave historical highlights on the life of his grandfather from his birth in Germany, his journey to Mexico with Maximilian's band and his flight to Texas following the emperor's defeat and execution. The elder Plentl settled in East Texas and raised his family with descendants now numbering approximately 150.

C. H. Roberts, MNHS president, spoke briefly on the background of the society. Other speakers were Joe V. Frantz, MNHS vice president; Don Bailey, executive director and editor of *La Cronica Imperial*, the society's official publication; and Joe B. Davis,



SPECIAL MNHS EVENT - The Maximilian Numismatic and Historical Society met during the 1974 TNA convention and presented a special educational program featuring Gene Plentl of Houston as speaker. Plentl is a grandson of Adolphus Plentl who played in Maximilian's military band. Above are Don Bailey, Yuma, Ariz., MNHS executive director and *La Cronica* editor; Plentl; C. H. Roberts, Corpus Christi, MNHS president; Lyman C. Bartee, TNA president; H. R. Peppard, Odessa, master of ceremonies; and Joe V. Frantz, Monessen, Pa., MNHS vice president.

reporting on the progress of a drive to locate all 20-peso gold Maximilian pieces to determine their authenticity. Mrs. Miriam Gilmore introduced the main speaker, and Al Naumann, cousin to Gene Plentl, introduced Mrs. Plentl.

Tokens of appreciation were given to Plentl, Naumann and to President Lyman C. Bartee representing the Texas Numismatic Association.

Following a drawing for attendance prizes, visitors were invited to view the various exhibits which were on display pertaining to the life style of Maximilian.

1974 World Coins In 2nd Printing

Krause Publications, Inc. of Iola, Wis., has announced the second printing of the "1974 Standard Catalog of World Coins." Collector demands, which far out-paced market projections, required the second printing which features selected revisions ranging from minor corrections of date listings, to revisions in Yeoman number assignments, selected corrections in valuations and photographic improvements.

The 864-page publication presents detailed coverage of the coinages of more than 270 nations from the mid-1800s to 1973. It is keyed to visual coin identification and features more than 17,000 original photos. It also includes detailed coverage of 20th century, non-circulating legal tender coin issues.

"Looking to the future," publisher Chester L. Krause stated, "the third edition will not be available for marketing until early 1975."

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♦
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♦
CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB, 3rd Tuesday, Room A, Coliseum, Brownwood.

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BROWNSVILLE COIN CLUB, 2nd Tuesday, First National Bank.

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ALAMO COIN CLUB
2nd & 4th Tuesdays, KSAT-TV, 1408 St. Mary's St., San Antonio.

♦
TEXOMALAND COIN AND STAMP CLUB, 1st and 3rd Fridays. County Courthouse Annex, Denison.

♦
WACO COIN CLUB, 2nd Thursday, Texas Power & Light Center.

♦
TEMPLE COIN CLUB, 2nd Monday, Gober Youth Center.

♦
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♦
KEY CITY COIN CLUB, 4th Tuesday, Citizen's Bank, Abilene.

♦
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2nd Tuesday, Garland Lions Club International.

♦
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♦
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4th Tuesday, Reddy Room, Southwestern Public Service Bldg., Littlefield.

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♦
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♦
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1st Thurs., Gause-Ware 1879 Room, corner Pennsylvania and Henderson Sts.

♦
SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB
2nd Monday, 1st Federal Savings & Loan Assn., Lubbock.

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HARLINGEN COIN CLUB

1st and 3rd Mondays, First National Bank. During summer, 1st Monday only.



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4th Monday, Chisum's Rock Shop, Pharr.



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